



The weekly newsletter from School District U-46

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## Calendar

Stay tuned for upcoming events with our District website calendar available [here](#).

- **Thursday, Dec. 1:** Community Advisory Council meeting. [Details here](#).
- **Monday, Dec. 12:** Board of Education meeting. [Details here](#).

## Attendance Matters

As we enter the holiday season and near the end of 2022, please remember that it is extremely important that our students are in school and on time to class every day, right up until the end of the school day.

Every day in school counts and helps build the foundation for your child's academic success. It is an important opportunity for students to learn as well as collaborate with their peers on rigorous, standards-aligned tasks that require critical thinking, collaboration, creativity, and communication. When your child is absent, they miss out on this collaboration.

Extended absences and/or vacations during the school year are discouraged and considered unexcused absences. The only approved vacation periods for U-46 occur during Thanksgiving and winter recess, spring break, and summer vacation. Thank you, as always, for your support and cooperation.

For our Student Attendance Guidelines as part of our Student Handbook, please visit [u-46.org/attendance](https://u46.org/attendance).



## CAC Roundtable Discussion

One of the more popular [Community Advisory Council](#) (CAC) meetings of the year is being held this Thursday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m. in a virtual format. The December meeting is always reserved for the annual roundtable discussion with School District U-46 Board of Education members, Cabinet members, and Superintendent Dr. Tony Sanders. It will feature breakout room sessions in English and Spanish with rotating administrators and Board members. You will receive the link to join after registering [here](#).



## MyStop App

School bus delays can be caused by weather conditions, road closures, and more. U-46 parents and guardians with children who ride U-46 buses are urged to download the Versatrans "My Stop" app so that they can see, in real time, the location of their child's school bus.

[Here](#) are step-by-step instructions on how to download the app to your smartphone, sign in, and navigate the app.

**Note for Android users:** If you downloaded the app before Nov. 1, 2022, please re-download it. Versatrans recently made some updates to ensure the app performs optimally for Android devices.



Free! Download today:



## ISBE Student Advisor

A Streamwood High School senior is serving on the Illinois State Board of Education's [Student Advisory Council](#) for the 2022-23 school year - one of only 25 students chosen for the council from across the state.

Rossi Gutierrez has served for the past two years on the Student Advisory Council for U-46 Superintendent Dr. Tony Sanders. She is also part of Streamwood Principal Dr. Jennifer Van Deusen's student advisory board.



Rossi said she applied for the role because "I wanted to be the voice of the kids who never speak up. Getting this position gives me a voice not only for me but also for the thousands of kids in the District." Learn more about this amazing young person at [info.u-46.org/Rossi](https://info.u-46.org/Rossi).

## We're Hiring

Have you considered becoming a part of the U-46 team? As the second-largest school district in the state of Illinois, School District U-46 offers a number of rewarding opportunities for educators and support staff, including bus drivers, social workers, secretaries, food service technicians, and more. You can learn more about our District and job openings at [u-46.org/careers](https://u-46.org/careers).



Here are a couple of positions that we are highlighting:

- [Department Secretary](#): These individuals help support Districtwide departments such as Health Services, Literacy and Libraries, and Fine Arts. They must have strong time management, multitasking, and communication skills.
- [Interventionists](#): These employees provide additional support to students who need assistance in reaching their academic goals. Some positions serve before- or after-school enrichment programs.

## Online Backpack

Visit our [U-46 Online Backpack](#) to find information on community events, activities and resources for our U-46 families and students.

**Coming up:**

- Boys & Girls Club of Elgin - Registration open for the new South Elgin Clubhouse
- The Salvation Army and Hanover Township - Holiday Toy Giveaway Registration



The flyers in the Online Backpack are the responsibility of the group listed and not a District endorsement. Visit Online Backpack to view the organization's flyer for more information.



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